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Docket No. 4712-117.1 US

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	:	Customer No.
LIN et al.	:	26817
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Serial No. 10/601,497	:	Group Art Unit: 1634
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Filed: June 23, 2003	:	Examiner: Jennifer SHIN SHIN
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Title: METHOD AND DETECTOR FOR	:	Confirmation No. 4733
IDENTIFYING SUBTYPES OF HUMAN	:	
PAPILLOMA VIRUSES	:	
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In a January 31, 2006 Office Action, the Examiner required restriction to one of the following groups:

- I. Claims 1-7, 15 drawn to detectors, classified in class 435, subclass 283.1.

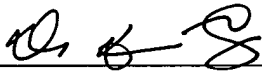
II. Claims 8-14, drawn to methods to diagnose human papilloma viral subtypes, classified in class 435, subclass.

Applicants hereby elect with traverse Group I, claims 1-7, 15 drawn to detectors, classified in class 435, subclass 283.1 for prosecution in this application. Applicants submit that a search of the detectors of Group I would uncover the method of Group II. Applicants respectfully request the right to file a divisional application directed to the unelected claims.

A prompt action on the merits is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned should he believe this would expedite prosecution of this application. It is believed no fee is required. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2165.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: February 17, 2006



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